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PHILADELPHIA--A FORMER GENERAL INTELLIGENCE AGENT PLANS OFFICER SAID TONIGHT THAT HE DOUBTED PREMIER KHRUSHCHEV'S EXPLANATION OF HOW AN AMERICAN PLANE WAS SHOT DOWN OVER RUSSIA.

LYLE H. MUNSON, IN A RECORDED INTERVIEW WITH WFIL NEWSPAPERMAN PAUL PARKER, SAID THE AMERICAN PUBLIC LACKS FIRM INFORMATION AND DETAILS ABOUT THIS ILL-FATED FLIGHT OF FRANCIS G. POWERS BUT THE INCIDENT SUGGESTS SOMETHING OTHER THAN THE SHOOTING DOWN OF A PLANE:

MUNSON, HEAD OF A NEW YORK BOOK FIRM, WHO HAD BEEN A PLANS OFFICER WITH THE U.S. AIR FORCE AND ALSO SERVED IN THE ARMY DURING WORLD WAR II, SAID:

"I DON'T THINK THEY SHOT DOWN THE FLAME [PLANE] BECAUSE THEY WOULD HAVE HAD A PRETTY

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